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SUBJECT: BASE DISCUSSIONS: JANUARY 9 MEETING

CINCPAC FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY HOLBROOKE

REF A. MANILA 20104 DTG 210823Z DEC 77

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1. WE ARE PLEASED WITH YOUR ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MEET-

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ING WITH MARCOS 9:00 A.M., JANUARY 9. WASHINGTON/CINCPAC

PARTICIPANTS WILL BE HOLBROOKE, ABRAMOWITZ, ARMACOST,

WEISNER, BLEAKLEY, LTC KENNETH RICHESON (DOD/ISA). WE

WILL ADVISE YOU OF TRAVEL PLANS AS AVAILABLE.

2. THE MAJOR PREPARED ITEM ON OUR AGENDA WILL BE THE

ABRAMOWITZ SECURITY BRIEFING. THE DRAFT ON WHICH WE ARE

NOW WORKING IS BROAD AND THOROUGH IN ITS SCOPE CONCEN-
TRATING ON AN OVERVIEW OF U.S. POLITICAL/MILITARY POLICY
IN THE EAST ASIA/PACIFIC REGION. IT WILL BE COMPLEMENTARY
TO THE IPAC BRIEFING TO THE MUTUAL DEFENSE BOARD. THE
BRIEFING WILL RUN UP TO AN HOUR AND A HALF INCLUDING
SLIDES AND GRAPHICS. THE EMBASSY WILL NEED TO PROVIDE
A 35 MM SLIDE PROJECTOR WHICH LTC RICHESON WILL OPERATE.
SINCE THE BRIEFING WILL INCLUDE HIGHLY SENSITIVE AND
RESTRICTED CLASSIFIED INFORMATION YOU SHOULD ASSURE IN
ADVANCE THAT GOP PARTICIPATION IN THE SECURITY BRIEFING
WILL BE LIMITED TO THOSE WITH THE HIGHEST SECURITY
CLEARANCES ON A STRICT NEED TO KNOW BASIS. ANY
ADDITIONAL THOUGHTS YOU MAY HAVE ON THE SCOPE, FOCUS OR
MANNER OF PRESENTATION FOR THE BRIEFING WILL BE WELCOME.

3. WITH REGARD TO REF A, THE TEAM WHICH WILL EXAMINE
THE EXTENSIVE GOP EQUIPMENT LIST WHICH WE HAVE JUST
RECEIVED WILL NOT, REPEAT NOT BE ON HAND FOR THIS MEETING.
HOWEVER, WE WILL BE PREPARED TO INFORM MARCOS OF THE
COMPOSITION AND ARRIVAL DATE OF THE TEAM. FYI WE ANTICI-
PATE A TEAM OF APPROXIMATELY FIVE MEMBERS PLUS A CINCPAC
REPRESENTATIVE LED BY A GENERAL OFFICER WILL BE ABLE TO
ARRIVE IN MANILA BY JANUARY 28. CONSISTENT WITH PARA-
GRAPH 4B OF REF B WE ANTICIPATE THAT WASHINGTON ANALYSIS
OF THE LIST PRIOR TO THE TEAM'S DEPARTURE WILL TAKE
ABOUT ONE MONTH. A TASK FORCE IS BEING ESTABLISHED FOR
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THIS PURPOSE.

4. WE ARE PREPARING BACKGROUND PAPERS ON DEFENSE CONSUL-
TATIONS AND ON PLANNING WHICH INCLUDE YOUR THOUGHTS ON
THE SUBJECT. A WASHINGTON TASK FORCE ON ECONOMIC PRO-
JECTS IS BEING ESTABLISHED AND, WHILE WE DO NOT EXPECT
TO HAVE ANY SPECIFIC RESULTS IN TIME FOR THE MEETING, IT
SHOULD BE POSSIBLE TO DISCUSS THIS CONCEPT IN GENERAL
TERMS. WE WILL ALSO BE PREPARED TO DISCUSS WITH YOU
PRIOR TO OUR CONSULTATIONS WITH THE GOP OUR THOUGHTS ON:
TIMING AND DESIRED OUTCOME OF THE DISCUSSIONS; DURATION;
THE ROLE OF THE WORKING GROUPS ON CRIMINAL JURISDICTION
AND DELIMITATION OF FACILITIES; HEADQUARTERS BUILDINGS
FOR PHILIPPINE BASE COMMANDERS; AND EXCHANGE OF NOTES
ON RELATED SUBJECTS SUCH AS VOA AND CEMETERIES.

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